## Treasures of the Texas Coast Children's Art Contest FAQ's

1) Do I have to attend a public school in Texas in order to participate?

No, all children who live in Texas are eligible to participate in the contest if they are between the ages of 5 and 12.

2) When is the deadline to submit entries?

All entries must be postmarked by Monday, March 5, 2012, in order to be eligible to win in the contest.

3) Do I have to use the official slogan in my artwork?

Yes, all entries must have the official Texas Adopt-A-Beach slogan used in their artwork. The slogan is "Trashing Texas Beaches Isn't Cool".

4) Will my artwork be returned and will I receive a letter stating that you have received my artwork?

No. All artwork becomes the property of the Texas General Land Office (GLO). You may want to color copy your artwork prior to mailing it to the GLO. Unfortunately, we are unable to notify you whether or not your artwork has been received. This contest draws more than 6,500 participants every year and it is too costly both in postage and staff time.

5) Is the parental release/student pledge form required and does it have to be taped to the back of the artwork?

Yes, all forms must be completed and signed and taped to the back of the artwork.

6) Can the artwork be three-dimensional (i.e. magazine paper or other types of paper cut out and glued to the original artwork, puff paint, glitter, etc.) or can it be computer-generated artwork? Can the artwork include brand names or logos?

No, the artwork must be submitted on a plain, white 8 ½" X 11" paper and can be in any medium except computer generated. Three-dimensional art or artwork displaying logos, product brands and/or store names is ineligible.

7) When will the winners be announced?

The 40 winners, their teachers and the grand prize winner will be notified in mid-April.

8) Where do I send my entry for the contest?

Please mail entries (postmarked by Monday, March 5th, 2012) to: Adopt-A-Beach Program: Children's Art Contest 2012 Texas General Land Office P.O. Box 12873 Austin, Texas 78711-2873

If you still need assistance after reading these frequently asked questions, please contact the Adopt-A-Beach Program at beach@glo.texas.gov